

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claim 14 without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter, and amend Claims 1, 15 and 16 as shown below. The claims, as pending in the subject application, now read as follows:

1. (Currently amended) An image processing apparatus comprising:  
storage means for storing user profiles for a plurality of users, the user profiles containing information for adjusting the output of a print job;  
input means for inputting the print job, the print job containing a plurality of printing objects; [[and]]  
adjustment means for specifying a user who instructs the print job according to print job information and adjusting an object of the plurality of printing objects on the basis of a user profile from the user profiles, the user profile corresponding to the specified user;  
management means for managing the user profiles of the plurality of users by causing a user profile to be corresponded to sender information of a user sending an E-mail; and  
change means for changing the managed user profile by using the E-mail sent by the user.

2. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein said adjustment means performs tone adjustment for each printing object.

3. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to Claim 2, wherein said adjustment means performs tint adjustment if the printing object is a color object and performs density adjustment if the object is a monochrome object.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein the user profile holds a value for every color component.

6. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to Claim 5, wherein the profile holds a ratio for a reference value for each color component.

7. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 5, wherein the representation of the color components depends on an RGB format and a gray scale format.

8. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising instruction input means for inputting a user instruction used for updating the user profile content.

9. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to Claim 8, further comprising display means for displaying the content of the user profile.

10. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising output means for outputting the print job processed by said adjustment means .

11. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 10, wherein said output means forms a visible image on a recording medium.

12. (Previously presented) An apparatus according to Claim 1, further comprising:

output means for outputting plural sample images which indicate different color adjustment results; and

selection means for selecting one sample image from among the plural sample images,

wherein the content of the user profile is updated on the basis of the selected sample image.

13. (Original) An apparatus according to Claim 1, wherein the print job is instructed by using an E-mail, and the user is specified by sender information of the E-mail.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Currently amended) An image processing method comprising the steps of:

storing in storage means user profiles of a plurality of users, the user profiles containing information for adjusting the output of a print job;

inputting the print job, the print job containing a plurality of printing objects; [[and]]

specifying a user who instructs the print job according to print job information and adjusting an object of the plurality of printing objects on the basis of a user profile from the user profiles, the user profile corresponding to the specified user;

managing the user profiles of the plurality of users by causing a user profile to be corresponded to sender information of a user sending an E-mail; and

changing the managed user profile by using the E-mail sent by the user.

16. (Currently amended) A storage medium which stores a computer-readable program to execute an image processing method, said method comprising the steps of:

storing in storage means user profiles of a plurality of users, the user profiles containing information for adjusting the output of a print job;

inputting the print job, the print job containing a plurality of printing objects; and

specifying a user who instructs the print job according to print job information and adjusting an object of the plurality of printing objects on the basis of a user profile from the user profiles, the user profile corresponding to the specified user;

managing the user profiles of the plurality of users by causing a user profile  
to be corresponded to sender information of a user sending an E-mail; and  
changing the managed user profile by using the E-mail sent by the user.